

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First St., N.E. Room 1A  
Washington, DC 20426

**Docket Nos: CP07-398-001, CP07-401-000**

Dear Ms. Bose:

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 6 has reviewed the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the construction and operation of the natural gas pipeline facilities proposed by Gulf Crossing Pipeline Company, LLC (Gulf Crossing) and Gulf South Pipeline Company, L.P. (Gulf South) under the above referenced Dockets. The project would be located in various counties and parishes in Oklahoma, Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi.

EPA rates the DEIS as "**EC-2**," i.e., EPA has "**Environmental Concerns and Requests Additional Information in the Final EIS (FEIS)**." EPA has identified environmental concerns that may require changes to the preferred alternative and application of mitigation measures that can reduce environmental impact. EPA asks for additional information to be included in the FEIS to complement and to more fully insure compliance with the requirements of NEPA and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations. Detailed comments are enclosed which more clearly define our concerns. Areas requiring additional information or clarification include: wetland impacts and mitigation, air quality impact, and environmental justice and socioeconomic impact discussion.

Our classification will be published in the *Federal Register* according to our responsibility under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act to inform the public of our views on this proposed Federal action. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Jansky of my staff at (214) 665-7451 or [jansky.michael@epa.gov](mailto:jansky.michael@epa.gov) for assistance.

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EPA appreciates the opportunity to review the DEIS. Please mail five (5) copies of the FEIS when it is sent to the Office of Federal Activities, EPA (Mail Code 2252A), Ariel Rios Federal Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004.

Sincerely yours,

Cathy Gilmore  
Chief, Office of Planning  
and Coordination

Enclosure